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CONTINUOUS SLEEVE FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF LIGHT

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Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

This preliminary amendment is submitted in a divisional application of the above identified patent application serial number 10/315,440, for which a notice of allowance has been received.

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